The failure by the Administrator to issue a permit in accordance with this paragraph shall be grounds for the filing of an appeal under part 78 of this chapter.

(ii) Notwithstanding paragraph (b)(1)(i) of this section, the Administrator may delegate to any State that obtains operating permit program approval after July 1, 1996, responsibility for permit review and implementation.

(iii) Each Acid Rain permit issued in accordance with this section shall have a term of 5 years commencing on its effective date. Each Acid Rain permit issued in accordance with paragraph (b)(1) shall take effect by the later of January 1, 2000 or, where a permit governs a unit under §72.6(a)(3) of this part, the deadline for monitor certification under part 75 of this chapter.

(2) Nitrogen Oxides. Not later than 6 months following submission by the designated representative of a timely and complete Acid Rain permit application for nitrogen oxides, the Administrator shall reopen the Acid Rain permit for Phase II to add the Acid Rain Program nitrogen oxides requirements. Such reopening shall not affect the term of the Acid Rain permit.

(c) *Permit Issuance*. The Administrator will issue Acid Rain permits for Phase II in accordance with subparts E and F of this part and the regulations implementing title V of the Act.

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Subpart H—Permit Revisions

§ 72.80 General.

- (a) This subpart shall govern revisions to any Acid Rain permit issued by the Administrator and to the Acid Rain portion of any operating permit issued by a State with an approved operating permit program under part 70 of this chapter.
- (b) The provisions of this subpart shall supersede the operating permit revision procedures specified in part 70 of this chapter with regard to revision of any Acid Rain Program permit provision
- (c) A permit revision may be submitted for approval at any time. No permit revision shall affect the term of the Acid Rain permit to be revised. No per-

mit revision shall excuse any violation of an Acid Rain Program requirement that occurred prior to the effective date of the revision.

- (d) The terms of the Acid Rain permit shall apply while the permit revision is pending.
- (e) Any determination or interpretation by a State (including a State court) modifying or voiding any Acid Rain permit provision shall be subject to review by the Administrator in accordance with §70.8(c) of this chapter as applied to permit modifications, unless the determination or interpretation is an administrative amendment approved in accordance with §72.83 of this part.
- (f) The standard requirements of §72.9 of this part shall not be modified or voided by a permit revision.
- (g) Any permit revision involving incorporation of a compliance option that was not submitted for approval and comment during the permit issuance process, or involving a change in a compliance option that was previously submitted, shall meet the requirements for applying for such compliance option under subpart D and section 407 of the Act and regulations implementing section 407 of the Act.
- (h) For permit revisions not described in §§ 72.81 and 72.82 of this part, the permitting authority may, in its discretion, determine which of these sections is applicable.

§72.81 Permit modifications.

- (a) Permit revisions that shall follow the permit modification procedures are:
- (1) Relaxation of an excess emission offset requirement after approval of the offset plan by the Administrator;
- (2) Incorporation of a final nitrogen oxides alternative emission limitation following a demonstration period;
- (3) Determinations concerning failed repowering projects under 72.44(g)(1)(i) and (2) of this part.
- (b) The following permit revisions shall follow, at the option of the designated representative submitting the permit revision, either the permit modification procedures or the fast-track modification procedures under §72.82 of this part:

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- (1) Consistent with paragraph (a) of this section, incorporation of a compliance option that the designated representative did not submit for approval and comment during the permit issuance process; except that incorporation of a reduced utilization plan that was not submitted during the permit issuance process, that does not designate a compensating unit, and that meets the requirements of §72.43 of this part, may use the administrative permit amendment procedures under §72.83 of this part;
- (2) Changes in a substitution plan or reduced utilization plan that result in the addition of a new substitution unit or a new compensating unit under the plan;

(3) Addition of a nitrogen oxides averaging plan to a permit;

(4) Changes in a Phase I extension plan, repowering plan, nitrogen oxides averaging plan, or nitrogen oxides compliance deadline extension; and

(5) Changes in a thermal energy plan that result in any addition or subtraction of a replacement unit or any change affecting the number of allowances transferred for the replacement of thermal energy.

- (c)(1) Permit modifications shall follow the permit issuance requirements of:
- (i) Subparts E, F, and G of this part, where the Administrator is the permitting authority; or

(ii) Subpart G of this part and §70.7(e)(4)(ii) of this chapter, where the State is the permitting authority.

(2) For purposes of applying paragraph (c)(1) of this section, a permit modification shall be treated as an Acid Rain permit application, to the extent consistent with this subpart.

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§72.82 Fast-track modifications.

The following procedures shall apply to all fast-track modifications.

(a) The designated representative shall serve a copy of the fast-track modification on the Administrator, the permitting authority, and any person entitled to a written notice under \$72.65(b)(1) (ii), (iii) and (iv) of this part. Within 5 business days of serving such copies, the designated representa-

tive shall also give public notice by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the area where the source is located or in a State publication designed to give general public notice.

- (b) The public shall have a period of 30 days, commencing on the date of publication of the notice, to comment on the fast-track modification. Comments shall be submitted in writing to the permitting authority and to the designated representative.
- (c) The designated representative shall submit the fast-track modification to the permitting authority on or before commencement of the public comment period.
- (d) Within 30 days of the close of the public comment period, the permitting authority shall consider the fast-track modification and the comments received and approve, in whole or in part or with changes or conditions as appropriate, or disapprove the modification A fast-track modification shall be effective immediately upon issuance, in accordance with §70.7(a)(1)(v) of this chapter as applied to significant permit modifications.

§ 72.83 Administrative permit amendment.

- (a) Acid Rain permit revisions that shall follow the administrative permit amendment procedures are:
- (1) Activation of a compliance option conditionally approved by the permitting authority; *provided* that all requirements for activation under subpart D of this part are met;
- (2) Changes in the designated representative or alternative designated representative; *provided* that a new certificate of representation is submitted;
- (3) Correction of typographical errors;
- (4) Changes in names, addresses, or telephone or facsimile numbers;
- (5) Changes in the owners or operators; *provided* that a new certificate of representation is submitted within 30 days;
- (6)(i) Termination of a compliance option in the permit; provided that all requirements for termination under subpart D of this part are met and this